

6.1.1 DRINKING WATER

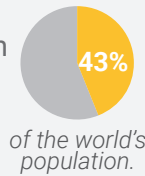


2.2 billion people (nearly 1 in 4 people around the world) lacked safely managed drinking water in 2022.

6.2.1a SANITATION



3.5 billion people lacked safely managed sanitation services, and **419 million people** practised open defecation, in 2022.



6.2.1b HYGIENE



2 billion people lacked a basic handwashing facility with soap and water at home in 2022.



6.3.1 WASTEWATER



Only **27%** of industrial wastewater is safely treated (based on limited data from 22 countries).

42% of household wastewater is not safely treated.

6.3.2 WATER QUALITY

56% of monitored water bodies in **120 countries** were classified as having 'good ambient water quality'.



By 2030, the health and livelihoods of **4.8 billion people** could be at risk if current water quality monitoring is not improved.

6.4.1 WATER-USE EFFICIENCY



From 2015 to 2021 water-use efficiency has increased by **19.3%** globally.

Approximately **58%** of the countries still exhibit low water-use efficiency, with less than 20 USD added value for each m3 of water used from all economic activities over time.

6.4.2 WATER STRESS

Approximately **10%** of the global population lived in countries with high and critical water stress levels in 2021.



6.5.1 INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

The world will not achieve sustainable water management until 2049.



40% of countries are being left behind, having limited capacity to balance competing demands across sectors and cope with increasing pressures.

6.5.2 TRANSBOUNDARY COOPERATION

Only **43** out of 153 UN Member States sharing transboundary waters have operational arrangements

covering **90% or more** of their shared rivers, lakes and aquifers.



At least 20 countries **lack any arrangements** for sharing transboundary waters.

6.6.1 ECOSYSTEMS

More than **90** out of 185 countries have one or more water-related ecosystem types in a state of degradation.



River flow has significantly decreased in **402** river basins worldwide, where approximately **107.5 million people** live

6.a.1 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Aid disbursements to the water sector **decreased by 5%** between 2015 and 2022.



1/3 of countries reported that donor funds are poorly aligned with national water sector plans, overwhelmingly in low-income countries.

6.b.1 PARTICIPATION

Less than **1/3** of 106 responding countries indicated having high levels of participation by local communities in water and sanitation decision-making.

